

May 11, 2022

A regular monthly meeting was held on May 10, 2022 at 2 p.m. All board members were present. There were 6 public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the agenda with no additions. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve regular monthly meeting minutes from April 12, 2022. All ayes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** Richard Fuller had a question about 8C.) Taxable Values – 2022.

**PRESENTATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:** Reviewed Library minutes and financial statements from Director Evelyn Gathu. Reviewed ICECA April 2022 Report. Included in the report are the March 2022 financials. Mark Bromley thanked the Board for financial and moral support. He announced that two businesses from the Township received an ICECA Fast Track Grant. Zach Hautala mentioned there are grants available for local businesses.

Reviewed Taxable Values 2022 Millage Reduction Fraction Computation.

**WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN REPORT:** Reviewed the Water Superintendent's report for the month of April.

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT:** Reviewed the Fire Chief's report for the month of April.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:** Reviewed the Zoning Administrator's report for the month of April.

**ASSESSOR REPORT:** Reviewed the Assessor's report for the month of April.

Discussion held on Department reports. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Departmental reports as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

**FIRE STATION UPDATE:** Rob Anderson with GEI stated the test pits were dug at the proposed Logan Street site. No ledge was found. The soil was sand with some boulders. No update from the State on the Fire Tower Road site. There will be a Public Hearing Meeting on Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at the Township Hall to solicit comment on the proposed site.

**CRYSTAL FALLS CITY SEWER PROJECT:** The City's RD Sewer Project is currently out for bids. The City had a pre-bid meeting on May 5<sup>th</sup>. The bids are due back to the City Hall on May 18<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. but may be pushed back to June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**WATER SYSTEM AFFORDABILITY AND PLANNING GRANT (AP GRANT):** Robb Anderson stated he is awaiting the survey responses. He reminded the Township's, and they are working on them.

**LIND ROAD CLEANUP UPDATE:** The redemption period has expired. Todd Wloszczynski is now the owner of the property, and he will be working on a schedule for cleanup.

**MASTER PLAN UPDATES:** Waiting for update from Attorney Tinti.

**HALL RENTALS:** No hall rentals currently. Will review monthly.

**AUDITOR SELECTION UPDATE:** Supervisor Kenney will keep looking for an auditor and will keep the Board posted.

**PHOTOCOPIER QUOTES:** Discussion held. Motion by Ketola, supported by Kut to approve participation with MiDeal with the understanding that we purchase locally when available. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Niemi, supported by Seppala to purchase the Bizhub 287 Digital Copier from Cooper Office Equipment per their quote. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEE:** Steven Hoke is the new hire. He will be starting May 16, 2022.

**MILLAGE RENEWAL:** Reviewed past millage renewal. Will review request at the June meeting.

**AUTHORIZATION TO SELL 1999 FORD RANGER ON BID – PW:** Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to authorize the sale for the 1999 Ford Ranger on bid. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF SPARE RADIO FOR KUIVALA WELL SYSTEM - \$2,427 PLUS PROGRAMMING – PW:** Reviewed email from Dave Simon with Energenecs. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to proceed with the quote for the radio plus programming from Dave Simon with Energenecs. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF ANNUAL TRUCK PUMP AND AIR BOTTLE TESTING:** Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to approve the annual truck pump and air bottle testing. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**REVIEW OF BILLS/INVOICES EFT'S/PREPAID/MONTHLY:** Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$264,372.26, the Monthly's for \$13,064.78 and the EFT's for \$457.80 with a total of \$277,894.84. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Zach Hautala stated businesses should know by the end of the month if they are approved for the Michigan Disaster Relief Plan. Mary Dumitru had questions for Trustee Kut regarding the Master Plan. Richard Fuller had questions regarding the Township Budget, Hall rental, property taxes, and concerns about road patches on Kuivila Road.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRIVILEGE:** Trustee Kut update on Rock Crusher Road. Supervisor Kenney will be switching days to be available at the Township Office to Thursday morning.

**ADJOURN:** Motion by Ketola, supported by Seppala to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

